



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship	9:00 A.M.
Bible Study	10:15 A.M.
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 P.M.
Wed. Night Bible Study	7:00 P.M.

THE RECORD

Sunday Morning Worship (In person 337, YouTube 90)	427
Sunday Morning Bible Class (In person 258, YouTube 33)	291
Sunday Evening Worship (In person 222, YouTube 65)	287
Wed. Night Service (In person 174, YouTube 63)	237
Contribution	\$20,058.50

RADIO AND TV

LIGHT FOR THE WAY (Speaker: Charles Cochran)
 Sunday 10:30 A.M.
 WFLI Channel 53—THE CW or may also be seen at:
<https://www.youtube.com/@LightfortheWay>

GOSPEL BROADCASTING NETWORK

Website: www.gbntv.org
 "Live Stream" available 24/7
 EPB Cable TV Channel 152

GOOD NEWS TODAY

WFLI Channel 53—COMCAST 6 & EPB 6
 Sunday 7:30 A.M.
 EPB Channel 152, GBN
 Saturday, 8:00 A.M.; Sunday, 8:00 A.M. & 10 P.M.

INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL HOUR

WFLI Channel 53—Comcast 6 & EPB 6
 Sunday, 7:00 A.M.; Hosted by Jeff Archey
 WLMR 1450AM – Chatt. TN
 Sun. 8:30 P.M. M-F @ 7:15 P.M. Sat. 3 P.M.
 WLMR 103.3FM – Chatt. TN
 Sun. 8:30 P.M. M-F @ 7:15 P.M. Sat. 3 P.M.

SEARCH

WDEF, Channel 12
 Sunday, 8:00 A.M.

EAST RIDGE EVENTS

WEEKLY: BENEVOLENCE PROGRAM

Tuesdays 8 A.M.-2 P.M.

LADIES' CLASS—Tuesdays at 6 P.M.

Y. A. H. BIBLE STUDY—Class meets each Thursday at 10am in the Connect Room

CONTACT ELDER:

For May

Mike Frost
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WEDNESDAY, May 13, 2026

Announcements & prayer.....Austin Fowler-
Song LeaderTyler Townsend
Devotional.....Neil Brooks
Closing prayer.....Chris Wehman

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE!

Go to www.ercoc.com & click/tap on "GIVE". Follow the instructions to contribute by check/card. Check option is preferred (avoids credit card fees).



PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES, PROTECTING OUR FREEDOM, FOR OUR FIRST RESPONDERS, AND FOR THE LEADERS OF OUR COUNTRY!

STIR UP ONE ANOTHER TO LOVE & GOOD WORKS

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LADIES TEA 2026

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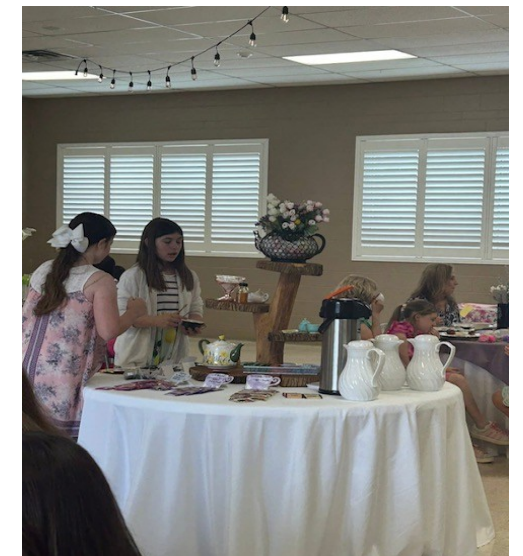
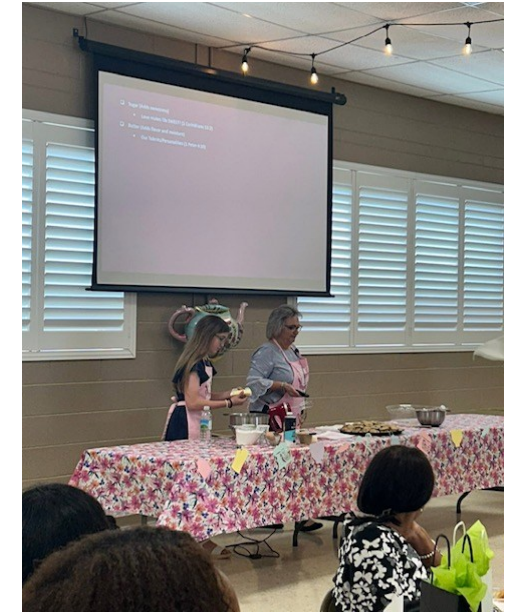
MISSIONS

FOREIGN:

- Clinton Church of Christ (Australia)
- Kenya
- Nazareth Church of Christ (Israel)
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Sosnogorsk, Russia

STATESIDE:

- Greater Chatt. Christian Services
- House to House/ Heart to Heart
- International Gospel Hour
- Memphis School of Preaching
- In Search of the Lord's Way



heart to heart

One of the most beautiful parables in the teachings of our Lord is the parable of the Prodigal Son. There are those who might find themselves described in Jesus' powerful words. Consider the following:

"Two journeys—Out and in.
Two resolves—To go and to come.
Two abodes—Home and the far country.
Two requests—Give and forgive me.
Two beginnings—To be in want and to begin to be merry.
He took all and he lost all.
He came to himself and he came to his father."
-Selected

What great contrasts are seen in these thoughts. Are you a prodigal? Do you long for the "Father's House" The Father is waiting. Why not arise and come to Him? He will run to receive you!
-Charlie

DON'T WAKE THEM UP

If you like little kids, you'll like this one: "I teach 4- and 5-year olds on Wednesday nights. I have five boys and one girl. Well, I had to remind them last night to be quiet so we could have our story. I asked them why it was so important to be quiet. One 5-year-old boy pointed out toward the auditorium, where all the adults have class, and said, "We don't want to wake them up."

-Carla Carlson, Lynn, Arkansas

Team 3 will meet in Classroom 6 Sunday, May 10, one hour prior (5pm) to our evening worship service. If you would like to participate in writing encouragement cards, please join us!



COMPASSION CARD MINISTRY

If you have a local family member, neighbor, co-worker or friend that you would like to add to our Card Ministry mailing list, go to:

ercoc.com/cards



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

KAREN McBRAYER will have outpatient surgery tomorrow, May 14.

KEN MOSES is home recovering from open-heart surgery May 4. No visitors at this time, please.

JUDY MALONE is recuperating following shoulder surgery April 30.

TUCKER WILLIAMS is recuperating at home after having stent placed.

CHANDA BUSBY is recuperating from hip replacement surgery.

DON HAYES got the results from a recent MRI. He has serious lumbar issues and will consult with a surgeon.

ABIGAIL MCDONALD will undergo surgery to remove kidney stones May 21.

TOM FRANKLIN, is in Erlanger Hospital.

ELIZABETH McBRAYER COOK is recuperating following surgery for an infection.

KENNETH BLEVINS, brother of Judy Malone is awaiting MRI results before having gallbladder surgery.

LONGTERM PRAYER REQUESTS

Margaret Brown, Charles Campbell, Lucien Claiborne, D.A. Clark, Gayla Collins, Katrina Edgecomb, Bea Elliott, Linda Griffin, Joe Hampton, Eudene Hannah, Pam Hayes, Phillip Hill, Yvonne Griffith, Sally Jackson, Asonia Martin, Wanda Mathews, James Rains, Richard/Sara Rogers, Jim Tidmore, Nelda Twitchell, Glenn/Louellen Westbrook, Judy Whaley, Miranda Wright.



We rejoice with our new brother in Christ Ronny Campo. Ronnie was baptized Sunday night, May 3rd. He has been studying with Epifanio Carranza, Austin Fowler and is a friend of Julie Cooley. Ronnie does not speak English, but he would appreciate your congratulations and welcome. Please keep Ronnie in your prayers as he begins his walk with Christ.

YOUNG ADULTS ACTIVITIES

- Lookouts game on May 15th. Tickets are \$12
- May 14 - Men of Valor/Soul Sister Studies

Stuff From Steve

Young at Heart: Meets tomorrow morning (5/14) at 10:00 in the Connect Room (corner classroom on the Northwest hallway) and on Zoom. We will continue our study of Daniel.

Single/Single Again: Bible study next Tuesday (5/19) at 6:00 PM in classroom 7. We will continue our study of 1 Corinthians. This will be the last study before our summer break. Studies will resume on Tuesday, September 1.

Till Next Time -- Steve



The shepherds want to encourage you to have an additional spiritual meal each week by finding the time to listen to a chosen lesson.

Gage Coldwater -

Developing a Vision for World Evangelism

<https://bit.ly/3P478Ow>

ATTENTION LADIES

Ladies Night Out

Keep your eyes on upcoming bulletins. This month we will have a ladies night out with a new fun craft. We will get details out soon. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

The house of one of our preachers in Panama was destroyed by fire. His name is Jorge Molina. He is the minister at Quebrada Platano church of Christ. The East Ridge congregation has sent funds to help him rebuild his home.



UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Reminders are posted on Facebook and Instagram. Join the Facebook group "ercoc youth" and/or follow "youth.ercoc" on Instagram. The youth calendar and event info is available at: ercoc.com/youth.

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FOR GRADES 7-12

- ⇒ TEEN SINGING will be May 17 hosted here at the East Ridge congregation. We will eat at Checkers after the morning service.
- ⇒ PEP May 17 at the home of Tyler Rhodes. Girls bring desserts, boys bring drinks, please.
- ⇒ FCF SUMMER BIBLE CAMP APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN PASSED OUT. If you did not get one or lost yours, please see Epifanio for another. Camp fee is \$25 and ALL applications and money are to be in no later than June 10. Sr. Week is 6/21-26 and Jr. Week is 6/28-7/3.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A CHRISTIAN

- ♦ As sheep we follow Christ the SHEPHERD. (Jn. 10:1-10)
- ♦ As citizens we submit to Christ the KING. (Col. 1:13)
- ♦ As branches we bear fruit for Christ the VINE. (Jn. 15:1-6)
- ♦ As members of the body we obey Christ the HEAD. (Col. 1:18)
- ♦ As lights in the world we shine for Christ the TRUE LIGHT
- ♦ As soldiers we endure hardness for Christ the CAPTAIN of our salvation. (Heb. 2:10; 2 Tim. 2:3)

PANAMA VBS CAMPAIGN:

The 2026 Panama VBS Campaign will be June 6-13. Those who are participating from the E. Ridge congregation are: Epifanio, Kalel, Karen, Liam and Nicholai Carranza, Bill Clements, Austin Fowler, Caroline, Charlie, Courtney, Jane, Jared and Jonas Hueter, Garrett Plemons and John Scruggs.

Please pray about this campaign and for the campaigners who are participating. If you would like to assist anyone financially, please make checks payable to the church and give to one of the elders.